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To the Officer
Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have the pleasure of forwarding to you a passport for the sepoys proceeding from Madura to Ramnad to join their respective corps according to your desire

I am Sir
your most obt Servt

Dindigul
7 June 1803.

W. M. Watts
Actg Collr

To the Collector of
Zilla Ramnad

Sir,

I have to inform you that I have this day received orders to deliver over on application to you the Districts of Dindigul and Madura to your charge and am

Sir
your most obt Servt

Dindigul
7 June 1803.

W. M. Watts
Actg Collr

To Mr H. S. Graeme

Sir

I have to inform you that I have this day received orders to deliver over on application to your charge that portion of Coimbatoor the revenues of which have hitherto been administered by the Collector in Dindigul — I am Sir

your most obt Servt

Dindigul
7 June 1803 —

W. M. Watts
Actg Collr

To the Commercial Resident

at Ramnad

Sir,

By some mistake or other the enclosed has been detained here until this time. Pray have the goodness to remit the amount to me as soon as convenient.

I am Sir

Your obed. Servant

J. M. Watts

Asst. Collr.

Dindigul

12th June 1803.

To the Acting Collector

of Tinnevelly

Sir,

To the Senior Judge
of the Court of Circuit
and Appeal
in Malabar

Sir

On the 4th Inst. I received
Mr. Assistant Collector Pearson's letter
transmitting List of Queries which
I have now the pleasure of returning
duly answered and ascertained in my
presence by Rama Appa Pattar and
Yalla Kistnan –

I am
Sir
Your most obt. Servt.

Dindigul
14th June 1803 –

J. Watts
Collr.

To the Secty. to the
Board of Revenue

Sir

I have the pleasure of transmit-
-ting Diary of Proceedings for the
Month of May
and am
Sir your obedt.

Dindigul
15 June 1803 –

J. Watts
Collr.

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir,

I have your favor of the 14th and have according to your request issued such orders to the Surveyor as I trust will prevent a repetition of such conduct in future —

On receiving your Important letter of the 31st May last I addressed a letter to the Polligar of Toganally at the same time enclosing copy of your Tahsildar's Report dated 14th of May — desiring he would state the circumstances fully to me and send the offenders to the Huzoor — copy of his answer and the Declaration of the Nuttumcars I have the pleasure of enclosing from which it will appear that the inhabi:tants of your District are the offenders not those of Toganally as stated by your Tahsildar —

I have given orders to the Tahsildar at Nuttum to deliver to your people the Ryots that have emigrated from your District when under engagements to the Sirkar — and those that may hereafter be guilty of the same conduct

I shall proceed to Nattam in the course of a few days and shall make the necessary enquiries respecting the encroachments said to be made by the Nattam inhabitants on the lands of Copparounchy and shall give such directions as the circumstances of the case may appear to merit ~~necessary~~ –

I am Sir

Dindigul
19th June 1803

Your most obt Servt

W Watts
Asst Collr

To The Officer
Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

I have to request the favor of a Guard ~~to~~ for the protection ~~some~~ of the Records ~~I am~~ that accompany me ~~under the necessity of taking with me~~ to Madura on my arrival there they shortly shall be returned –

I am Sir

Dindigul
19th June 1803.

Your obt Sert

W Watts
Asst Collr

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir/

I have made strict inquiries into the complaint preferred by the Kohmoundy inhabitants against the Ryots of Palapudy & belonging to this Talook respecting the encroachment made by the latter on the Lands of the former—

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To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir,

I have made strict inquiries respecting the encroachments said to be made by the inhabitants of Palapuntty of this Talook on the Lands of Copavunchy.

It appears from the examination that there was three years ago a Boundary dispute between ~~the~~ these two villages which was then settled to the satisfaction of both Parties and according to that settlement the inhabitants of Palapuntty of this Talook have until this time cultivated without any objection having been started to them by the inhabitants of Copavunchy.

~~I have therefore to request you will give such orders as will prevent~~

I have therefore to request you will order the inhabitants of Copavunchy not to molest the inhabitants of this Talook in future so long as they do not exceed their boundaries which ~~from~~ my inquiry I trust you will find they have not hitherto done.

I am &c

[signature]

Nuttum 2d June 1803

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To the

2nd Judge of the Court

of Circuit and Appeal

in the Southern Division

Trichinopoly -

Sir

I have to report to you the Death of Narsa Lovin No. 47 in the Calendar delivered to you when on Circuit for trial and who was recommitted to Prison by you -

Mellore
26th June
1803 -

I have the Honor
to be Sir
your most obt Servt
J W Watts
Asst Collr

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir/

I have to request the favor of a Guard for the protection of the Records of my Cutchery at Tripacollum - I am Sir

Tripacollum
29th June 1803 -

your obt Servt
J W Watts
Asst Collr

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To the Junior Judge
of the Court of Circuit & Appeal
for the Southern Division
at Trichinopoly

Sir

As all the Prisoners belonging to the Conquered Countries South of the Noyel the Districts of Dindigul and Madura and the Documents relative thereto are at present at Dindigul and there being not the smallest accommodation in the Conquered Countries either adequate to the purposes of a Court or Prison except a private house at Dorapuram the property of Mr Hurdis the late Collector I have to request you will inform me whether it is your wish to hold your Court at Dindigul or that I should refer the circumstance to Government for instructions

I have the honor to be
Your most obd Servt

Madura
30th June
1803 -

W. Watts[?]
Asst Collr

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To the Register
to the Court of Circuit and Appeal
for the Southern Division
at Trichinopoly

Sir

I have the pleasure of enclosing
the necessary Certificate according
to the request contained in your
letter of the 24th Inst. —

I am Sir
Your obt. Servt.

Madras
30th June
1803.

J W Watts
A[illegible]

I do hereby certify that the Salaries and allow-
:ances of the Judicial establishment of the
Court of Circuit and Appeal for the Southern
Division have been paid by my Office
to the thirty first of May last inclusive
and to no further period —

J W Watts
Acty [illegible]

Madras
30th June
1803 :

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To the Officer
Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

It has been reported to me today that you have ordered the Cutwale whom ^a Peon^ ~~[illegible]~~ on confinement ~~[illegible]~~ belonging to a Officer of ~~the~~ your Battalion — I have therefore to request you will inform me of the cause of complaint that entitles him to this treatment — and I have further to desire you will when you ~~make similar~~ ^have^ similar requisitions ~~[illegible]~~ ^necessary^ make them to myself as my Servants have orders not to obey any but those coming directly from my authority.

I am Sir
Your obt Ser

Madura
30 Jan
1802 —

M Watts?
Collr

To the 2nd Judge
of the Court of Circuit & Appeal
for the Southern Division
Trichinopoly

Sir/

I have to report to you
the Death of Chinnamanaigue No. 10
in the Calendar delivered to you when
on Circuit for trial and who was
recommitted to Prison by you —

I have the honor
to be
your most obedt

Madura.
1 July 1803 —

J. W. Watts
Magte

To the President
& Members
of the
Board of Revenue -

Gentlemen,

I have to report to your Board the death of Narsimanayar Heir to the Ramghery Pollam mentioned in the late Collectors letter - it took place on the 22d of last Month -

Until I have fully ascertained who is now the lawful heir to the Pollam which the widows of the late Pollygar impose devolves upon some distant branch of the late Pollygars family. I have ordered the Ameen to manage the Affairs of the Pollam with strict injunctions to make no disbursements of any nature without ~~any especially and~~ previously obtaining my sanction thereto

As soon as I shall have fully ~~ascertained~~ investigated the circumstances I will report the result for the information of your Board -

I have the honor to be
with much respect
Gentlemen
your most obedt humble
[illegible]

Madura
3 July 1803.

To the
acting Collector
at Tennevelly

Sir/

The bearer has preferred a complaint against two Inhabitants of your District for plundering him of all his property - after committing this outrage they fled to Tomachyraque Pollam -

I have therefore to request you will cause an enquiry into the circumstance and obtain the sufferer such redress as justice may require -

I am Sir
your obedient Servant
(signed) J. N. Watts
actg. Collr.

Madura
3rd July 1803 -

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir

Frequent complaints having been forwarded to me by the [illegible] of the Manapar Pollam and the neighbouring Pollygars against the inhabitants of your District for interruption of the [illegible] of the Pollams -

I have to request you will issue such orders as will

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prevent the like in future.

The disputes said between the Polligar and Sukoor Talliga[?] Shown appear to be involved in apparent account that their claims may be decided by the Courts of Justice.

I am Sir
your obly Servt
J. M. Watt[?]

Madura
of July

To the Asst Collector
of Tinnevelly

Sir/

Enclosed is a Declaration given by the Nettumcars[?] of Mantaunum[?] to which I request your early attention and that you will order the Polligar to deliver to the Nettumcars the amount due by him.

I am Sir
your obdt Servt
J. M. Watt[?]

Madura
9th July
1803

To the Sub Treasurer
Fort St. George –

Sir

Enclosed I send you a Bill dated 1st July 1803 for Star Pagodas nine thousand & four hundred (9400 .) by the Madura Paymaster on the Military Paymaster General in favor of Revenue

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.

Madura
8th July 1803 –

(signed) J. N. Watts
actg Collr.

To the Secy to the Board of
Revenue

Sir

I have the honor of transmitting my indent for required Stationary for the Year 1803/4 and a return of the quantity now on hand –

I am &c –

Dindigul
8th July 1803 –

Your most obt Servt.

J N Watts
Collr

To the Officer
Commanding
C. Donegal

Sir,

I was only favored with your letter of the 2nd Inst. to which I have been pre=vented from returning an earlier answer —

To the Officer
Commanding
Madura -

Sir

I have to request the favor of a Guard for the protection of the Records that accompany me to Dindigul - I shall proceed from this tomorrow morning and shall be obliged to you to order the Guard to attend at my Cacharee this evening when, if you consider it necessary the one at present here can be removed -

I am Sir
Your obt Servt.

Shepacollum
11th July 1803.

J W Watts
of Call

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

I have to request you will order ~~the delivery~~ of Cannenaig Craven Curpen Mundaveren and Mooto Shungar, prisoners on the

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to be delivered to

Rock ~~with the charge of~~ the Cutwal -
tomorrow morning - that they
~~that he may conduct them to~~
may be brought to my Cutcherry -
~~my Cutcherry tomorrow morning~~

+

I am
Sir
Your obt
M Watts

Dindegul
14th July
1803

+ I have ordered the Cutwal of Kop to attend on
on Rock for the purpose of receiving the

To the Officer
Commanding

Dindegul

Sir/

I herewith return Mundaven
Commie Naig, and Mooto Naigar
for further imprisonment on
the Rock and have to request you
will order the under mentioned
Prisoners here on the Rock to be
delivered to the Cutwal tomorrow
morning

Arasapaneken

Neera

Vieratavun and his Son Teramen -
Nunja Gounden and Nauchera Pyleny -
Vellauden -
Nunjappa Gounden -
Puller Shengalli
Paramadan -
Mootten -
Kaderee -

Dindigul 15 July 1803 -

I am Sir
your Obedient Servant

To the Officer
Commanding -
Dindigul -

Sir

I herewith Returned the undermentioned prisoners for further imprisonment on the Dindigul Rock -

Arasapianeeken
Vieratavun and his Son Verasum
Nunja Gounden and Nauchera Pyleny
Vellauden
Nunjappa Gounden
Puller Shengalli
Paramadan
Mootten
Kaderee

Dindigul 16 July 1803 -

I am
Sir
your Obedient Servant

To the Officer Commanding Judl Dept

Dindigul

Sir,

I have to request you will order Beneapa Naique a Sepoy [illegible] in the 1st Company of your Corps to [illegible] hold himself in readiness to attend on the Judge of Circuit who is expected here in the course of a few days — I am Sir

Your Obt Sert

Dindigul
16th July 1802 —

W Watts
Magte

To the Collector of Judl Dept

Palgautcherry

Sir

I have to request you will order the attendance of Moopen Cawtan of Attempathy of Attanagaddo at Dindigul — he is a particular witness in a case of Murder to be tried before the Court of Circuit of this Division —

The Judge is expected

~~at this place~~ here in the course of a few days. I will therefore be obliged to you to deliver him over with all expedition to my Sherishtadar at Palamcottah who has orders to conduct him to this place — I have the honor

to be
Sir
Your obd. Servt.
J. Watts
Asst. Collr. Tinny.

Dindigul
16th July
1802

To the President
& Members
of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have much pleasure in reporting to your Board that the Revenues of the Districts at present under my management for Fusly 1212 are fully realized —

I have the honor
to be with perfect
J. Watts

Dindigul
12th July 1803 —

To the Secretary
to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the pleasure of transmitting Diary of Proceedings for the Month of June 1803—

Dindigul
15th July 1803—

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. N. Watts
A. J. Colle

x

To the Secretary to Govt.
in the
Judicial Dept.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of printed copies of the translations in the Tamul language of the Regulations as noted in the Margin—

I am Sir
your most obedt.

Dindigul
16th July 1803—

J N Watts
A. Colle

To the Officer
Commanding
Dindigul

Sir

I have this moment received your letter of this day's date and beg leave to observe that a verbal com-munication of an acting Post Adjutant is no authority for me to act upon ~~on~~ any case whatever.

The written charge signed by you, but by whom transmitted I am ignorant, states that the women Canwery and Parwaddy are followers of the 2nd Battalion 13 Regt. N.I. and apprehended by you as such therefore are not by the G.O. 22nd September cognizable by me consequently can not be admitted into the Cutwals Choultry or placed in any respect under his charge he being a Police Officer and under no other control but my own

or ever had they not been, as described by you, followers of the 2nd Bn. 17 Regt. N. I. I have no authority to apprehend any ~~one on~~ person ~~a~~ charge of that nature.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obt. Servt.
J. W. Watts
A. Col.

Dindigul
19th July
1803.

To the Assistant Commercial Agent of Nagore
at Trichinopoly

Sir

I have received your letter of the 15 Inst. and beg leave to refer you to the Commercial Resdt. to whom I have written on the subject of your letter.

I am Sir
Your obt. Servt.
J. W. Watts
A. Col.

Dindigul
21 July
1803.

To the Commercial Resident

of Nagore.

Sir

1 I have been favored with your letter of the 12th Instant on the subject of extending the Company's investment to the Districts under my charge and altogether concur with you in the opinion of the great benefit which will result from it both to the Country and the Company—

2nd It may be necessary however to acquaint you that all the conquered Countries lately of this Collection, extending from Coimbatoor to the North of Dindigul are considered within the range of the Resident of Salem from whom advances have been made from time to time to the weavers of that quarter and that with respect to the District of Dindigul where it borders on the Madura Country where the Resident of Ramnad is established— and probably the Board of Trade adverting to the remote situation of Nagore and that Ramnad Madura and Dindigul form one Collection, might consider Dindigul as, with more propriety appertaining to the Division of Ramnad - The latter possess

and Tanjore being open to the Residency of Nagore. —

3rd. From whatever Residency it may be permitted that the Company's funds should be invested in the Dindigul District I beg you to be assured, that I should feel gratified to afford every assistance and support that I could with propriety, not only as it might contribute to enlarge the Company's Investment, but because I am convinced that the extension and encouragement of the Manufactures of these Districts in general must add stability to the Revenue and greatly improve the condition of the people —

4 The Cotton of the Dindigul and conquered Countries is not of a quality remarkable for fineness or is it produced in any considerable quantity — this however well calculated for the coarser Manufactures and would be encreased of course in its production if the demand became more extensive —

5th. Exportation of Salampores of the Coarser kind has been

carried on from the Conquered Country to some amount by individuals to the Ports about Negore and from Dindigul to the Ports near Ramnad and should the Company's Funds whenever introduced here not fully embrace the resources and means of the Country. It would seem essential to its interests at large and to that of the Manufacturers in particular that no impediments should be opposed to the production and exportation of such Goods as the Company's funds could not command. and that the weaver should be permitted to apply his industry and means as might be most to his own advantage. -

I have the honor
to be
Sir
Your obed^t. Serv^t.
W. Watts
Coll:

Dindigul
21^st. July
1803 -

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To the Commercial Resident

of Ramnad

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of 779 [illegible] or [illegible] the amount of the Batta Bills transmitted to you under date 12th June 1803.

I am Sir
your obt Servt
[illegible]

Dindigul
24th July 1803 —

To the President
& Members
of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the honor of transmitting to your Board estimate of Tuccavy required in the Districts at present under my management for Fasly 1213 for your approbation an

Sanction -

Your Board will be pleased to observe that the assistance now [required] ~~applied for~~, is much less than what has been [applied for in] ~~supposed in~~ former years and that it is chiefly by the in-habitants of the Conquered Countries to enable them to purchase Cattle their last years stock having been [mostly] carried off by the distemper that rages annually with great violence amongst the Cattle in those Districts -

The Season for commencing Cultivation being far advanced I take the liberty of requesting an early answer - and the Extracts which are preparing shall if required by your Board be forwarded with all expedition -

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
with great respect
Your most obt Servt
J. M. Watts
Collr -

Dindigul
20th July
1803 -

To the Commercial Resident
at
Salem

Sir/

Enclosed is copy of a Declaration given by three weavers of Cadumbaddy in the Palladendalook against some of your Servants.

I have to request & you will issue that the Mulchelka they forcibly took from these weavers may be ~~[illegible]~~ returned to them and that you will ~~[illegible]~~ give such orders to your Servants ~~[illegible]~~ as will prevent a repetition of such ~~[illegible]~~ unprecedented conduct ~~in fu~~

I am
Your obt Servt.
J. M. Watts
Collr

Dindigul
21st July
1803.

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To the Register to the Sudder Foujdarry Udawlut

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Report Required by Regulation VI. Section XXX, A.D. 1802. and have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) J.N. White
A.J. Coll.

Dindigul
11th Septr. 1803.

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To the Acting Collector
at
Tinnivelly

Sir

I inclose you copy of an Arzee from Golloppa Naig late Polligar of Nellacottah and have to request you will cause the Polligar of Yettiamoody to deliver up the Girl to him —

I am Sir
your obd Servt
J M Watts (?)
Coll

Dindigul
30th July
1803 —

To The President
& Members
of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen /

To the Register

to the

Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut

Sir/

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly reports required by Sections XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, & XXX Regulation VI A.D. 1802 - and to assure you that punc:tuality shall in future be observed in their transmission -

I am unacquainted with the number of ~~Prisoners~~ Causes referred by the Court of Circuit to the Foujdarry Adawlut or is there any record in this Office from which I can gain the necessary information - consequently that report is blank -

I have the honor
to be Sir
Your most obt Servt

J. M. Watts
Act Magistrate

Dindigul
15 July 1803 -

To the Sub Treasurer Fort St George

Sir

Enclosed I sent you a Bill No. 20 dated 1st August 1803 for Star Pagodas (4000. " ") Four Thousand by the Madura Paymaster on the Military Paymaster General

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General in favor of Revenue — I have the honor to be
Dindigul 4th August 1803 — Sir your Obt Servant
(Signed) J.M. Watts
ag Coll.

To the Officer
Commanding
Madura

Sir/

The Batta Bill for bearers escorting my Palanquin to Dindigul not being drawn out according to form I herewith return it accompanied by a regular form which I will thank you to fill up & transmit it to me and the amount shall be forwarded without delay —

I am Sir
your obt Servt
J.M. Watts
ag Coll.

Dindigul
4th August —

To the Register
to the Court
of Circuit & Appeal
in the Southern Division
Sir Trichinopoly

In answer to your letter of the 26th July 1803 I have to inform you that there are no State Prisoners ~~of the~~ under my charge — I am Sir your obt Servt
J.M. Watts
ag Coll.

Dindigul 5th August 1803

To the Collector
at
Trichinopoly

Sir/

I have received frequent com-
-plaints from the Surveyors in the Mann-
-pur Pollams and their respective Polligars
against the inhabitants of your Districts
for interrupting the Survey of the Pollams-
copy of two Arzees just received are enclosed
to which I request your early attention.

To obviate the delay that must necessarily
attend a reference of Disputes I ordered the Surveyors
to Survey all land and to enter that disputed in
separate accounts giving a copy to both Polligars
Concerned that their claims might hereafter be decided
by the Courts of Justice - notwithstanding
this ~~the~~ the inhabitants of your District continue
to obstruct the Survey - I have therefore to
request you will give ~~the necessary~~ such orders
as may appear to you necessary for the
due completion of the Survey which is
now at a stand.

Immediately on the receipt
of your letter of the 21st Ultimo I forwarded an order
to the Cadoor Polligar to answer and send the
Thieves and the property taken to me - copy of his answer
and a declaration given by ~~from~~ the Nuttumcarr then

the pleasure to enclose, from which you will observe ~~the~~ they thiefs were returned to the village named within your limits.

I have to request you will when convenient remit to me the names of the New Coolys one by the inhabitants of the village of Chauthie.

I am ~~Gentlemen~~ Sir

Your most obed. Serv.

W Watts
Coll

Dindigul
5th August
1803

To the Officer
Commanding
Dindigul

Sir

I beg leave to send the undermentioned Prisoners under condemnation for security on the Rock.

Schunder Subba
Caumache Autchaury
Sawmy Naicken
and
Balin Chuckler

I am Sir
your obed.

W Watts
Coll

Dindigul
5th August 1803.

To Mr. Johnson

Conductor of Ordnance

Sir/

The Judge of Circuit having no further occasion for your house I have to request you will transmit to me the bill for the rent without delay—

I am Sir your Ob Ser

Dindigul
5 August
1803—

J W Watts
Col

To the Officer
Commanding

Madura—

Sir/

I have the pleasure of sending you the money for the enclosed bill—on which I will thank you to sign a receipt for the amount and in what Coin recd and return the same to me

I am Sir
Your ob S—

Dindigul
8 Aug 1803

J W Watts
Col

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To Mr Johnson
Conductor
of Ordnance

Sir

I have the pleasure of
sending you forty Ollee Magodas for the
the amount of Stores sent to Tranq &
~~the~~ issued for the accommodation of the Judge
and will thank you to sign a
receipt on the Bills now transmitted
and return them to me —

I am Sir
Your Obt Servt
Dindigul
16th Oct 1803 — W Watts
of Coll

To the Military Paymaster
at Palamcottah

Sir /

I have received your letter dated (the king)
7th Inst. and have to inform you that
~~these bill~~ in ~~any~~ them it is not to be found
~~...~~ in this
Office — I am Sir
Your Obt Servt
Dindigul
13th Oct
1803
W Watts
of Coll

To the Secy to Government
in the
Judicial Department

Sir

On being apprized by the Judge on Circuit of his expected arrival at Dindigul and there being no public or private building except one the property of Mr Conductor Johnson's at this place adequate to the purposes of a Court house - and time not admitting of the circumstance being referred to Govt. I took the liberty of renting [a house for the court] that during the Judges stay at the rate of 20 Pags per Month as rented last sessions - which I hope will meet with approbation -

I have now the honor of transmitting copies of charges incurred on this account amounting to 40 St Pags with the copy of the Judge's certificate annexed for which I request you will be pleased to obtain the sanction of the Right Honble the Governor in Council in order that these charges may not be rejected on Audit -

I have the honor
to be
Sir
your most obedt

Dindigul
13th Augt 1803

J. M. Waters
Colr

To the Collector
of Palghautcherry

Sir/

I have received your letter
of the

To the Acting Collector
of Tinnevelly

Sir/

The bearer has preferred a
complaint against an inhabitant of
Shevalapattoor in your Districts. I have
therefore to request you will inquire
into it.

I am Sir
your most obedient

Dindigul
14th Nov 1802.

J. Wats.
Col.

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir

Enclosed are duplicate receipts
for the Cutchin Neer Cooly —
I have to request you

will order the attendance of the under mentioned inhabitants of your District at my Cutcherry at Dindigul to substantiate the Claims of the Chitty who was plundered by some inhabitants belonging to Caduvoor in this District and was sent by you to this place to prefer his complaint—

Tandavaroy Reddy }
Ormana Reddy — } of Sengul — } of Vetty Cutt Talook
Pulla Pennen }
Deo— Mottyen } of Veerapollaem }

I have Sir
Your obd^t Serv^t
W Watts
Ass^t Coll^r

Dindigul
17^th August 1803

To the Register to the
Sudder Fouzdarry Adawlut

Sir

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly reports required by sections XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX Regulation VI AD 1802

and have the honor to be
Your obd^t Serv^t
W Watts
[illegible]

Dindigul
15^th N^r 1803

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To The Collector

of

Palghautcherry

Sir

It has been stated to me by the Tahsildar of Pallauchee that the undermentioned Natives with several inhabitants belonging to that Talook and under engagements to the Sircar have emigrated to Colangand within your limits - I have therefore to request ~~you will order your Servants to the aforesaid~~ in future and that he in consequence despatched peons to that place to bring their return, but they were detained by the inhabitants of that Village. I have therefore to request you will be pleased to order to your Servants to deliver the people to the Peons that accompany this letter and any that may hereafter emigrate under similar engagements be sent back to their respective village on a requisition to that effect.

I am Sir

Your obedt. Servt.

Dindigul
18th August

W. B. Tahsildar

Collamaumaug
Sygana maug
Kobalamaug
} of Sunamally

[illegible]

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To the President

& Members

of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen/

I have the honor of transmitting a Genealogi-cal table of the Vanghen family by which your Board will be pleased to observe that Moottep-par naigue son of Vuttana Naigue a boy of nine years of age is the lawful heir to the Pollam as stated to me by the Widows of the deceased Polygar and corroborated by every evidence I have taken on the subject —

From

From a jealousy
which has long pre-
:vailed betwixt the
family of the Seran
Nayque and that of
Gutcheru Tondey and
which induced the
latter on his succession
to the Pattam in
September 1800 to
place the whole family
under restraint ~~and~~
in which situation
they continued until
the death of Narasim-
:nayque in June
last – I ~~did not think~~ conceived it my
duty to issue compliance
~~it proper to comply~~
with the request of
the Widows of those Polligars to have
the boy placed under
their immediate super~~care~~
as well from motives

~~until I received the orders
of your Board~~

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of humanity as to insure every attention to his education which has hitherto been entirely neglected and which most probably would still continue to be the case if subject to the control of the Women.

I have therefore placed + him under the care of the present Ammeen a man well qualified for the situation he holds and who will I am confident pay every attention to the education of the Boy and to the prosperity of the Pollam.

+ to the great satisfaction of his family –

In the hope that what I have done may meet with the approbation of your Board –

I have the honor to be

tendance

with the greatest respect
Gentlemen
your most obt
Humble Servant
W Watts
Act Colr

Collapollum -
~~Dindigul~~
15th August
1803 -

To the Board of Revenue
dated 15th August 1803 with
a Genealogical Table of the
Ramghery family

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To the President
& Members
of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen/

I have now the honor of transmitting the proposed Moyen Tabiteh for the collection of the Sayer under my own immediate management for approbation and sanction

In laying this before your Board I beg leave to refer you to the accompanying Statement which will shew that the Moyen Tabiteh now proposed

Vide 4th Col: No. 8 ~~[illegible]~~

is but 11 1/2 per Cent

Col: 1 on the Gross collections

of last year as taken

from the accounts

of the Renters - making

Col: 9 an ~~abatement~~ increase of 27. 8 per Cent

Col: 2 on the Moyen Tahtoby of

Col: 9 - the Renters, or Rs 2053-25-30

and which I hope

will meet with appro-

-bation and sanction -

This Moyen

Zabitah should have

been forwarded earlier

had not most of the

English Writers ~~[illegible]~~ of this Office

been employed by

the Judge on Circuit

I have the honor &

with great respect

Gentlemen

Your most obt

humble Servt

Dindigul
19th August 1802 -

J. Waters
Actg

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To the Magistrate
of Salem

Sir

The bearer will deliver to you the persons of Tullasee and Annamunden Inhabitants of Poodoor in the Caroor Talook as required by you under date 14th Inst. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obt. Servant
(Signed) J. N. Watts
Acting Collector &
Magistrate

Dindigul
19th August 1803

~~To the Accountant General~~
~~& Civil Auditor~~

~~Sir~~

~~I have the honor to enclose ~~Jumma~~ the ~~Abstract~~ Statement for Fusly 1212 of [illegible] to yours and a Comparative Statement~~

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To the Actg. Jdg.

& Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose General Abstract Statement shewing the amount of Revenue due, Gross Collections, Charges and Net Revenue in the Districts at present under my management for Fusly 1212 or from 1st August 1802 to 11th July 1803 — with the Balance of Revenue remaining due on the latter date — also a Statement Comparative of the Reduction in the Actual Mofussil Collection Charges of these Districts in Fusly 1212 in a comparison with Fusly 1211 which I hope will prove correct —

I have the honor
to be Sir
Your obt. Servt.

Dindigul
23rd August
1803 —

J. Watts
Coll.

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir/

I have been favored with your letters of the 8th and 28th Inst.

I approve of the Mode you propose deciding the Boundary disputes betwixt the Pollams of Cummarawuddy Iachmally and Mannaparry and the villages of your District and shall immediately order a certain number of disinterested people the then owners of the adjacent villages to assemble at the Ground in Dispute and that the respective Pollygars to attend with their evidences &c.—

With respect to your Letter of the 20th Inst.—

The enclosed is copy of an request from the Pollygar of Mannaparpury in

answer to a Perkud I addressed to him on the receipt of your letter of the 28th Nov.r what he has therein stated has been corroborated by several respectable witnesses — and the Accounts of that Land are now in his possession and which I have ordered to be dispatched to me for examination — It is however I thought proper of little consequence as the intention of the Pottah is was merely to [illegible] him for his services extended not to enter that Land in the Accounts of his Pallam as [illegible] Land [illegible] whether that Land is entered in the Accounts of that Pallam as Devastanum or under that head in the Accounts of your Division — but as this Land was a gift of his Ancestors to the Pagoda [illegible] in any Court should remain [illegible] to be entered in the Accounts of that Pallam as such —

I am Sir
Your obt Servt
[illegible]

Sundapore
20 Augt 1802 —

To the Register
~~to the~~ Sudder ~~Dewanny~~ ~~&~~ Fouzdarry Adawlut
~~Fouzdarry Adawlut.~~

Sir

I have received your letter of the 28 ulto. and now return the Reports having entered the names of those Prisoners, uncommitted to Prison ~~in April last~~ by the Court of Circuit and for whose punishment no warrants have yet been issued; from which circumstance ~~ambiguously~~ I suppose these cases have been referred to the Fauzdarry Adawlut — but I have therefore entered only their names from supposition, there being no record in this office from which I can give the necessary information — the state of their case consequently appears in blank. — I am Sir
your obedient Servant

Azimgurh 3d Feby. 1803 — J M Mathew

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir

It appears from the evidence produced by the Polligar of Cadavoor that the people ~~have~~ who plundered the houses were traced from the villages of his Pollam to in your limits.

To the Collector
of Trichinopoly

Sir

It has been stated to me by the Polligar of Cadavoor that the people who plundered the houses were traced by the Nattamcars of his village to Kullada in your limits, and which

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assertion has not been supported by the evidence of the complainant who merely say "that they heard some person or other mention that it was not so". I therefore return him to you, and should his assertion hereafter be substantiated to your satisfaction I shall be happy to see justice done to the sufferer — but as circumstances stand at present — to make the Volley in make good the loss, should any, to be an act of the greatest injustice —

I am Sir

Pindiserl
3^d Sept^r 1803 —

Your obt. Ser^t.

E Watts
a Mal —

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To the Magistrate

of Salem

Sir / On the receipt of your letter of the 14th ulto I dispatched an order to my Tahsildar at Caroor to send with all expedition the two persons there mentioned to you, but this search for them has hitherto been proved ineffectual. Should they be happily found I shall lose no time in forwarding them to you –

I am Sir

Your mo ob Ser

Dindigul
3rd Feb 1803

J M Watts
Act. Collector

To the Collector
of
Trichinopoly

Sir/

The bearer of this letter named Maradun has represented to me, that a person at Trichinopoly named Cauder Rawoother upon recognizing two Bullocks in his possession which had been stolen from ~~them~~ the latter (Cauder Rawoother) some time ago preferred his complaint to you — that you in consequence took from the former a Mulchelka (as he mentioned he had purchased them from another person) binding him over to make good the loss unless he should produce the person who had committed the crime.

I have therefore to inform you that the thief has been delivered over to me, and has acknowledged his guilt and as he is ~~an old~~ [a man of notorious character & has been punished here or there being before for similar offences] offender — I have thought proper to commit him to prison to take his trial before the Court of Circuit next Sessions — I am Sir

Your ob Ser
J. Watts

Dindigul
24 Feb 1808

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To the Sub Treasurer

Fort St. George

Sir

Enclosed I send you a Bill No. 43 dated 1st Septr. 1803 for Star Pagodas four thousand & seven hundred (4700) by the Madura Paymaster on the Military Paymaster General in favor of Revenue

Dindigul
4th Septr. 1803 –

I am
Sir
your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. N. Watts
actg. Collr.

~~Officer
To the Commanding
Dindigul~~

~~Sir/
I have this moment received your Note informing me of the Death of a Prisoner ~~in your~~~~

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To the Officer
Commanding
Dindigul

Sir

I have this moment received your Note informing me of the death of one of the Prisoners on the Rock and have to express my regret that his indisposition was not communicated to me, that the necessary Medical assistance might have been afforded him according to the instruction received from Govt.

I am
Sir
Your obdt Servt
J. M. Watson
Surgeon

Dindigul
10 Septr. 1803

I have ordered the Cutwal to do the needful
J. M. Watson
Capt.

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To the Secretary to Government

in the

Judicial Department

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of printed copy of the translations in the Tamul Language of Regulations ~~[illegible]~~ XVI, XXI, ~~XXV~~ 1803 –
~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ –

I have the honor
to be
Sir
Your obt. Sert.
W Watts
Collr.

Dindigul
10th Sept 1803

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To the Secy. to Govt.

in the

Judicial Dept.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of ~~Copy of~~ printed copy of Regulations in the Persian language –

I have Sir
Your obt. Sert.
W Watts
Collr.

Dindigul
13th Oct 1803

To the President

& Members

of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

Para 1 I have had the honor to receive Mr Deputy Secretary Wright's letter of the 3rd of August, transmitting draft of a Regulation for the Manufacture and Sale of Country Arrack the Sale of Foreign Spirits and of Toddy.

2 Previous to the receipt of that letter I had visited the Arrack farms in the District

of Dindigul and
Madura and the
Southern Division of
Coimbatore for the pre-
-sent Fusly - the accom-
-panying Statement
will shew your Board
the number of farms
into which these Districts
are at present divided
with the amount of each
farm on a comparison
with Fusly 1212 the name
of the individual
renters and the security
given for the due per-
-formance of their en-
-gagements - No 2 will
~~shew~~ shew the exact
number of Shops opened
in the respective farms
and

vide No. 1

the exact number of Shops opened in the respective farms

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Vide No. 2 and | No. 2 whisper the terms on which the Renter receives his licence.

3 My object in bringing this before your Board is to shew the mode which has hitherto been observed in the Manufacture and Sale of Arrack in these Districts, and the Board will be pleased to observe has been conducted on principles nearly similar to those laid down in the Regulation received. The general adoption of which will I am of opinion prove highly

highly beneficial—

4 The Retail price
has hitherto been 60
Madras Cash per
Dram or 30. Fan.s per
Gallon of 40. Drams
with reference to your Board
at which rate I would
recommend it should
be continued to be
sold— as also the num:
:ber of Farms now
established—

5 The quantity of
Toddy produced in these
Districts is so trifling that
no License has ever
been granted for its
disposal, except in
the Fort of Madura
the Amount of which
has always been carried
to the Account of
Sibbandy

Military Bazar —

6 All trees that pro-
=duce this article are taxed
according to their age and
quantity each tree is
supposed to yield and
reference to locality with
regard to soil and Water,
and but little of the
toddy is sold until con-
=verted into Jaggery
an article of great traffic
in these Districts great
quantities of which is
annually imported
from Tinnevelly Tra=
=vancore and Palgham
=cherry —

7 Most of the Villages
of this Country have
[illegible]

hitherto been suffered to
enjoy the Revenue arising
from the Sale of Arrack
in their respective Pollams
highly prejudicial to
the morals and health
of their inhabitants, as
it is generally rented,
but under no restrictions
or limitations whatever,
consequently weeds
unwholesome ingredients
is used in the manu-
-facture of it and
articles of every des-
-cription received in
payment – Gain
being the only object
both of the Polygar and
Renter –

8 Wherefore it shall

have

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leave to suggest to your
Board the propriety of
assuming this branch
of Revenue in ward
Pollam — or should your
~~not approve~~ Board not
approve of this suggestion
that the management
of it should be invested
in the Collector — it would
then be rented agreeable
to the present agitations
and the amount collected
on this account remitted
at the close of every
fusly to the respective
Claimants — or otherwise
disposed of as your
Board may think
proper — but unless
it is placed in some
degree

more under the control of the Collector I am convinced the present imperfections will never be corrected. —

9 I have the honor to transmit a plan and an account of expenses incurred in constructing a Cachari at Dindigul authorized under date 3rd January last for approbation ~~&c~~

Vide No. 3 and enclosure

10 When this building was commenced the present arrangements with regard to this Collectorship was not known. otherwise Madura would most probably ~~not~~ have been the

the place fixed upon
for its construction,
it being the most
centrical part of the
division, consequently
the most likely to be on
the place of residence
of the Collector – its
dimensions are eighty
five feet square – very
open and airy and
capable of accommoda-
-ting a very considerable
number of people and
would I imagine make
a very excellent Prison
in the want of a Court
of Justice being esta-
-blished in this District.

11 I have also the
honor

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honor of transmitting

Vide No. 4 a Statement shewing

the amount collected

on account of Military

Bazars in the Districts

of Dindigul and Madura

in lieu of supply with the

charges thereon, according

to Mr Deputy Secretary

Way's letter of the

1st Oct. 1802

I have the honor

with the greatest respect

Gentlemen
Your most obt. hum. Servt.

Dindigul
September 1803

~~The Documents called~~

~~for by your Board~~

~~respecting the Customs~~

~~on Merchandize &c~~

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12th The Documents relative to the Customs called for by your Board are preparing and shall be forwarded in the course of a few days—

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

with the greatest respect

your most obt

humble Ser—

Londonderry
15th Sepr 1803—

To the Board of Revenue
dated 15th Septr 1803 –

To the Collector & Magistrate

at Trichinopoly

Sir

According to the request con-
-tained in your letter of the 13th inst. I have
this day dispatched the Prisoner named Cutumatevan
…nnady Soobayen under the charge of two Peons to take
his trial before the Court of Circuit.

The enclosed are declarations
of the Complainant and Prisoner
and the Mutchilka of the Complt. binding himself over to appear and prosecute
the Prisoner before the Court of Circuit [illegible]
for Witnesses mentioned at the bottom
of ~~each~~ the Declarations shall be sent to you with
all expedition if their presence is
deemed necessary at Trichinopoly.

I think it necessary to mention
that the Prisoner is an old offender and
has been punished twice before for
similar offences which induced me to
commit him to take his trial before

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the Court of Circuit

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. N. Watts
Actg Collr. and Magte.

Dindigul
19th September
1803

To the Register
to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlet

Sir

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly Reports required by Sections XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX Regulation VI A: D: 1802.

and have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. N. Watts
Actg Collr. and Magis.te

Dindigul
19th September 1803

To the Collector and Magistrate
of
Trichinopoly

Sir

The bearer is in charge of the Prisoner named Cunnady Sooben the person mentioned in my letter of this days date

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I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant

Dindigul
19 September
1803

(Signed) J. N. Watts
Actg Collr. and Magistrate

To the Secy to Govt
in the
Judicial Dept.

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of printed Copy of ~~Regulations~~ Translations in the Persian language of Regulations as noted in the margin —

Regn. 1802. [illegible]

I am
Sir
Your most ob. Servt. —

Dindigul
22d Sept 1803 —

J N Watts
Actg Collr.

To the Secy to Govt
in the
Judicial Dept —

Sir / I have to acknowledge the receipt of Printed copy of the translation in the Tamil language of the Regulation

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noted in the Margin

I am
Sir
Your most
Obedt. Servt.

Dindigul
23rd Sepr. 1803

J N Watts
[illegible]

To the Officer Commanding
~~Madura~~
Dindigul

Sir/

The Havildar has delivered Prisoner over to the Jailer of Dindigul

I am
Sir
your obedt. Servant
(Signed) J. N. Watts
Magistrate

Dindigul
25 Septr. 1803

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To the Officer
Commanding
Madura

Sir,

In answer to Mr Acting Fort
Adjutant's Memorandum letter of the 25th
I have to inform you that I have
in consequence given orders to the
Tahsildar to acquaint you wh[en]
it is judged necessary to pass arms
into or out of the Fort that the
Sentry's may receive orders
to stop them at the gates —

Arms are collected alm[ost]
daily from different parts of th[e]
Taluck of which I know nothing
until their arrival at the
Tahsildar's Cutcherry is repor[ted]
to me — which renders it un[...]

for me to furnish the Passport
you require - unless the Arms are
delayed at the Gate until a
reference is made to me at
probably 70 or 80 Miles distance
~~and~~ how far such a circumstance
~~ought~~ would be an impediment to the duties of my
Office will I presume be sufficiently
~~is too evident for me to~~
evident to you to render any com-
~~comment on it~~
-ment from me on the subject
unnecessary — I am Sir
your ob. Servt
J. H. Watts
Agent

Dindigul
28th Sept 1803

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